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Environmental Assessment for Navajo Generating Station Intake Facilities Available

Page, Ariz. – The National Park Service announced today that the environmental assessment/assessment of effect regarding the installation of new water intake facilities for the Navajo Generating Station is available for public comment. The water intake facilities would be located on the grounds of the existing pump house.

The purpose of the project is to ensure the future availability of cooling water for Navajo Generation Station operations during low water conditions on Lake Powell. The full pool elevation of Lake Powell is 3,700 feet above sea level. Currently, Lake Powell's water level is approximately 3,610 feet above sea level. This project would insure that the water intake structure for the Navajo Generating Station would be functional in the event of a severe drought.

The Navajo Generating Station is a coal-fired power plant located near Page, Arizona.

This environmental assessment replaces one completed in 2006. Geologic issues onsite prevented construction of the intake structure as originally planned. This environmental assessment examines impacts of an alternative construction method at the same site.

This notice is an opportunity for the public to identify any issues or concerns they may have regarding this project. All comments must be received by July 25, 2007. Comments may be posted online at http://parkplanning.nps.gov/glca or mailed to: EcoPlan Associates, Inc., 701 W. Southern Avenue, Suite 203, Mesa, Arizona 85210. Comments may also be submitted via e- mail to dsmith@ecoplanaz.com or faxed to 480-733-6661.

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